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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 777 Session of  
2018

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INTRODUCED BY MAHER, CORR, DUNBAR, GREINER, PEIFER, RYAN,  
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SIMS, SONNEY, STAATS, TOOHIL, WARD, WHEELAND, YOUNGBLOOD AND  
DALEY, APRIL 2, 2018

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
APRIL 2, 2018

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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of April 2018 as "Financial Literacy  
2 Month" in Pennsylvania in special recognition of the  
3 importance of increasing financial literacy among residents  
4 of this Commonwealth.

5 WHEREAS, Financial literacy has a significant societal  
6 impact, affecting economic downturns, government and personal  
7 debt and global market competitiveness; and

8 WHEREAS, Personal financial practices and habits are formed  
9 during childhood years and are employed in all stages of life;  
10 and

11 WHEREAS, Personal debt continues to rise, with student loan  
12 debt surpassing the \$1.4 trillion mark, forcing young adults to  
13 postpone important life decisions such as marriage and home  
14 buying; and

15 WHEREAS, Increasing the financial literacy of all economic

1 and ethnic groups has proven successful in improving attitudes  
2 and providing a more secure future for individuals who have been  
3 educated in financial literacy and their families; and

4 WHEREAS, Financial literacy training may be integrated as a  
5 valuable component for elementary and secondary schools,  
6 colleges, universities, community groups and resident town hall  
7 meetings; therefore be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives, in special  
9 recognition of the importance of increasing financial literacy  
10 among residents of this Commonwealth, both young and old,  
11 recognize the month of April 2018 as "Financial Literacy Month"  
12 in Pennsylvania; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That legislators, employers, schools, professional  
14 associations, community organizations, financial institutions  
15 and the media be encouraged to provide opportunities for  
16 financial literacy education for all Pennsylvanians through a  
17 variety of means, including collaboration with members of the  
18 Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the  
19 Pennsylvania Jump\$tart Coalition for personal financial  
20 literacy, in order to provide outreach and education.